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Sykesville Looms Up as a Possible El Dorado Rivaling the Klondike

The Hustling Trolley Metropolis Excited by Discovery of Gold Friday.

DRILLERS STRIKE EVERYTHING BUT PURE WATER

Drilled Well for Water, Struck Gas; Drilled Again, Struck Gold; May Strike Diamond Mine Next Trial.

Intense excitement reigned in Sykesville Friday because of a possible discovery of gold by workmen who were engaged in drilling a well on the property of Daniel Wise, opposite the Hotel Sykes.

Frank Cryster, of DuBois, is the driller in charge of the work, and the sand bearing gold was struck at a depth of about 35 feet. Mr. Wise has another well on his property, but it contains considerable gas and he desired to get a supply of water that was free from the gas. For this purpose he was very careful in the drilling and frequently inspected the gravel at different depths, so that it would not be necessary to go down any further than necessary for a good supply of water.

At 35 feet Mr. Wise, according to statements made, secured a supply of the sand and gravel for the purpose of inspection, and was greatly surprised to find small yellow particles in the sand greatly representing gold as secured in gold districts by "panning." Mr. Wise has a cigar box full of the sand and gravel at the depth where the yellow particles were found and the matter of the gold discovery will be thoroughly investigated.

The report that gold was discovered spread rapidly in the hustling burg and was a lively topic of conversation Friday afternoon.

Mining experts state that the earth of this part of the country contains no gold, but the discovery of Friday will be followed up closely.—DuBois Express.

Take An Interest.

Every member of the community, and especially every parent should take a deep interest in the public school. It is not enough to pay your school taxes without complaining, or to know that the teachers are qualified, nor is it even enough to keep your children in school regularly. If you are really interested in the subject as you should be, visit the school frequently. Few people have any idea what an incentive it is to both teachers and scholar to know that parents and outsiders are taking a lively interest in their work. We believe the "little folks" at school appreciate such interest more perhaps than the larger ones. Still the effect is not lost on any of them.

A Good Game.

On Wednesday the Brockwayville baseball team went down to Reynolds and met the strong organization of that town. Reynoldsville has been playing winning ball lately and are taking everything that comes their way. The home team was a little handicapped, owing to the fact that several of the regular players were not able to accompany the team, which necessitated substitutes filling their places. Nevertheless the game was well played and exceedingly interesting until the seventh inning when the Reynoldsville bunch took the lead and kept it till the end.—Brockwayville Record.

Old Home Week at Renovo.

For the Old Home Week celebration at Renovo, Pa., August 31 to September 6, the Pennsylvania Railroad will sell excursion tickets to Renovo, August 31 to September 5, good to return until September 7 inclusive, from Brookville, Kane, Eldred, Troy, South Danville, Shamokin, Herndon, Selinsgrove, Huntingdon, Altoona, Ocoala Mills, Bellefonte, Lewisburg and stations intermediate to Renovo, at reduced rates (minimum rate 25 cents). Consult ticket agents.

In buildings, equipment and reputation, the Lock Haven State Normal school is the equal of the best. Its graduates are its best advertisement. To those who are thinking of becoming teachers, it is an ideal school. The fall term begins Sept. 7th. Send for its catalogue to the principal.

To the Granges and Dairy Interests of Pennsylvania.

The repeal of the Pure Food Law of 1896, has proved to be a serious detriment to the dairy interests of Pennsylvania and also to the public health.

The present Food Law approved June 1st, 1907, as construed by the courts, is inefficient and furnishes but little protection to the dairy interests or to the consuming public.

After careful consideration by the Grange Committees it seems advisable that a Dairy Commissioner be appointed who shall have charge of the dairy interests, and who shall enforce only special dairy legislation. By this means we hope to avoid the complications of a general food law embracing both dairy and trade occupations.

The passage of the Pure Food Law of 1907, has thrown the markets of Pennsylvania open to the manufacture and sale of adulterated butter and bogus lard. This same law has, by a recent court decision, made it impossible for our State Dairy and Food Commissioner to successfully prosecute dealers who sell watered and skimmed milk, as pure.

Therefore we recommend that the next legislature shall create the office of Dairy Commissioner, who shall deal only with dairy products, viz: butter and butter substitutes, such as oleomargarine, butterine, renovated butter, adulterated butter, milk, cream, condensed milk, ice cream, cheese and all products made wholly or chiefly from milk.

We further recommend that the laws which deal with other food products shall be placed in the hands of the State Health Department. We would suggest a careful and early consideration of this subject by every Grange in the state, in order that the State Grange influence may be exerted in this important movement.

If reports of the decisions of the various granges are promptly forwarded to Worthy State Master W. F. Hill, Huntingdon, Pa., the work will be greatly facilitated.

ANNA P. HICKS, Secy. Goshen Grange No. 121.
MARGARET SHARPLESS, Secy. Brandywine Grange No. 60.

REAL ESTATE TRANSFERS.

Property Changes in Jefferson County Put Upon Record.

Theo. M. Borland estate, by sheriff, to Minta T. Borland, for 84 acres in Knox township, \$190. July 24, 1908.

W. L. McCracken to Bellina Martina Trunzo, for lot in Knox township, \$1.00. August 11, 1908.

Mary Snyder, et. al., to A. F. Beck, for eleven acres in Winslow township, \$385. Aug. 3, 1908.

Ephriam Graham, et. al., by sheriff, to D. T. Dennison, for lot in Washington township, \$670. August 7, 1908.

Anthony Carnesoli, by sheriff, to Floravanti Ferrari, for lot in Winslow township, \$105. August 7, 1908.

Barbara A. Pifer to Ida J. Pifer, for lot in Reynoldsville, \$1.00. December 5, 1907.

Mine Timbers and Railroad Ties.

Plants for treating mine timbers and railroad ties are to be erected by the Philadelphia and Reading Coal and Iron Company and the Delaware, Lackawanna and Western Railroad Company in the Pennsylvania anthracite region. This action follows a series of tests with wood preservatives made by the Philadelphia and Reading Coal and Iron Company which has extended over three years. The tests showed that by the proper application of creosote and zinc chloride the life of peeled, seasoned timber was more than doubled. Indeed, much of the timber treated may last throughout the life of the mine.

She Likes Good Things.

Mrs. Chas. E. Smith, of West Franklin, Maine, says: "I like good things and have adopted Dr. King's New Life as our family laxative medicine, because they are good and do their work without making a fuss about it." These painless purifiers sold at Stoke & Felcht Drug Co. drug store. 25c.

For Sore Feet.

"I have found Bucklen's Arnica Salve to be the proper thing to use for sore feet, as well as for healing burns, sores, cuts, and all manner of abrasions," writes Mr. W. Stone, of East Poland, Maine. It is the proper thing too for piles. Try it! Sold under guarantee at Stoke & Felcht Drug Co. drug store. 25c.

Unannounced Musical Treat at Sykesville

Open Air Rehearsal by Eighty Members of the Federation of Musicians.

People who strayed over towards Sykesville Sunday afternoon stumbled on to a delightful musical treat in the shape of an open air band recital in Romantic Park. Members of eight bands, from DuBois, Punxsutawney, Big Run, Sykesville and Reynoldsville, with almost eighty instruments, participated in the event, which was intended to be the first rehearsal for the tournament of the American Federation of Musicians at DuBois Saturday, when admission will be charged. If successful at DuBois, the tournament may be held at Reynoldsville in the near future. The meeting at Sykesville Sunday was intentionally kept secret from all except those concerned, but several hundred people from Sykesville and neighboring towns were present and lingered till the last note died away. Richard Ransay, of Reynoldsville, Hon. Henry L. Wilson, of Big Run, and Charles Fuegler, of DuBois, led the bands alternately. From the harmony few would have supposed that it was the first time the eighty musicians had ever attempted to play together. Arthur H. Haskins, a member of the Federation, has tickets for the tournament at his music store.

Pointed Paragraphs.

People can depend only on themselves—and a good many people can't even do that.

Beauty is only skin deep, but a man's check is often estimated at more than its face value.

Some men marry poor girls and settle down and others marry rich widows and settle up.

A man would have but little time for anything else if he loved his neighbors as they love themselves.

We say just as disagreeable things about other people as they say about us—but of course that's different.

It would be much easier to convince the average man that honesty is the best policy if the dividends were larger.—Chicago News.

Independence.

The oak in the middle of the forest, which is surrounded on every side by trees that shelter and shade it, runs up tall and sickly; put away from its protectors and the first blast will overturn it. But the same tree growing in the open field, where it is continually beat upon by the tempest, becomes its own protector. So the man who is compelled to rely on his own resources forms an independence of character to which he could not otherwise have attained. Therefore prefer rather to climb up hill with difficulties than to roll down with inglorious ease.—Exchange.

The Opening.

On Tuesday, Sept. 8th, the Clarion State Normal school at Clarion, Pa., will open for its twenty-second year. If you are thinking of going away to school it will pay you to write at once for a catalog. The terms are very low. Clarion graduates are occupying the very best positions in the various professions. J. George Becht, Principal.

Woodpeckers Destroy Telephone Poles.

Birds are destroying the telephone and telegraph poles in the south and southwest, particularly in Texas, Arizona and California. In some places fifty per cent of all the poles along the right of way have been riddled by these innocent offenders, which belong to the woodpecker family.

The Fate of Delinquents.

A newspaper publisher recently brought suit against forty-five men who would not pay their subscriptions, obtaining judgment on each claim. Twenty-eight of them made affidavits that they owned no more than the law allowed, thus preventing attachment. Then, under the decision of the Supreme Court, they were arrested for petit larceny and bound over in the sum of \$300 each. All but six gave bail and they went to jail. The new postal law makes it larceny to take a paper and refuse to pay for it.—Clearfield Expressman's Journal.

PUNXS'Y WANTS CAMP

Sons of Veterans Broke Camp Monday After an Enjoyable Weeks' Outing.

PLAN FOR 1909 IN OCTOBER

The annual field encampment of the Sons of Veterans, which was held in Mammoth Park, Reynoldsville, August 17 to 24, is now among the events that have been. There were about the usual number of Sons present this year, but on account of Main street being closed for contractors to pave the street, the tally-hos and carriages could not haul people to and from camp and the attendance of visitors was not as large this year as last year. However, the Sons had a good time and enjoyed the encampment. The program for the week consisted of drills, target practice, camp fires, speeches, ball games, sham battle, &c. Saturday evening the soldier boys, headed by the martial band, gave a dress parade through the principal streets of town. Punxsutawney wants the encampment next year, but the selection for a place for 1909 will not be decided until sometime in October.

What Becomes of the Coins?

What becomes of all the metal money? We know that paper money is worn out or destroyed from time to time, but what happens to the coins which Uncle Sam turns out yearly by the tens and tens of millions?

The Philadelphia mint in the fiscal year ended June 30 made 137,133,777 separate pieces of money. These coins are worth \$126,755,848. Now, it happens that this same mint has been converting gold and silver bullion or metal alloys into coins for many years, and several other mints in the country have also been working steadily.

If the nation's population increased 1,000,000 in the past year the Philadelphia mint made for each person 137 coins. Who has that money in his possession? More than 81,000,000 pieces of the new money were pennies, so that every citizen of the United States got a new cent since last June.—Philadelphia Press.

New Use For Gum.

A member of the firm of Romandka Bros. received an order one day last week that he could not fill.

A woman came into his place of business and handed him a card, on which was a chewing gum model.

"I have lost the key to my trunk," she said, "and I pushed that gum into the lock and got a model of it. I suppose you can make me a key that will unlock my trunk with that model to go by, can you not?"

Mr. Romandka owned that he could not. The gum was in a rather pliable condition, he told the customer, from the heat, and he would fit a key by another method. The woman was satisfied, and Mr. Romandka dispatched a man with a bunch of trunk keys to try the lock till he found one which fitted.—Milwaukee Free Press.

Bearded Indians.

It has been written over and over again that the North American Indian was always beardless. New light comes from an unearthed letter from Captain Amos Stoddard, United States artillery and engineer, in 1806, to Dr. Mitchell of New London, Conn., in which Stoddard tells of a tribe of "yellow men, not in the least tawny, who lived near the lake on the west side of the Rocky or Shining mountains and who wore their beards and a great number of whom had red hair on their heads." They were great experts with the bow and arrow. The lake referred to must have been Flathead lake, in northwestern Montana.—New York Press.

A Jealous Greyhound.

A tragedy recently happened in the study of M. Clemenceau, the French premier. He had two favorite dogs, one a splendid giffon and the other an equally fine Russian greyhound. M. Clemenceau lavished attentions on the giffon regardless of the significant growls of the greyhound. The giffon had been favored with several chocolates more than the greyhound. In a burst of jealousy the greyhound threw itself upon its too fortunate rival and strangled it.

Wealth a Burden.

"Do you find great wealth a burden?"

"Sometimes," answered Mr. Cumrox. "There's never any talking when mother and the girls are going to invest in a touring car or a steam yacht or a foreign nobleman or some such form of wastefulness and responsibility."

Presbyterian Church To be Reopened Sunday

MISLEADING NAMES.

Terms in Science That Belie the Products to Which They Apply.

There are terms in certain departments of science that positively misname the products to which they are applied.

The word "oil" in its more comprehensive and indiscriminate uses is made to include hydrocarbons, like petroleum, and also many other substances that have an oily appearance, like "oil of vitriol," which is not oil at all, but sulphuric acid.

Strictly speaking, the mineral oils, including all petroleum products, are not oil, although we speak of "coal oil" and "kerosene oil."

The best classifications of oils do not include mineral hydrocarbons, like naphtha, paraffin and petroleum, but treat only the two well defined groups—fixed oils and fats and the essential or volatile oils.

"Copperas" is not copper, but sulphate of iron. "Salt of lemon" has nothing to do with the fruit of the lemon tree, but is potassium binoxalate or potash treated with oxalic acid.

"Carbolic acid" is not an acid, but a phenol. In structure it is allied to the alcohols and has only slight acid properties. "Soda water" has no trace of soda. "Sulphuric acid" contains no sulphur. "Sugar of lead" is innocent of sugar.

"Cream of tartar" has nothing to do with cream nor "milk of lime" with milk. "German silver" is a stranger to silver, and "black lead" is not lead at all, but graphite. "Mosaic gold" is a sulphide of tin.

These misleading names have come down from the vocabulary of an early and inexact chemistry. As popular science extends the old terms are yielding to the more scientific nomenclature.

JOKED HIMSELF IN.

How "Private" John Allen Got Himself Elected to Congress.

Here is Champ Clark's defense of humor, if it needs one:

"The dry-as-dusts solemnly asseverate that humor never did any good. Now, let's see. How did 'Private' John Allen of Mississippi get to congress? Joked himself in. One bit of humor sent him to Washington, a national lawmaker. Opposing him for the congressional nomination was the Confederate General Tucker. They met on the stump. General Tucker closed one of his speeches as follows:

"Seventeen years ago tonight, my fellow citizens, after a hard fought battle on yonder hill, I bivouacked under yonder clump of trees. Those of you who remember as I do the times that tried men's souls will not, I hope, forget their humble servant when the primaries shall be held."

"That was a strong appeal in those days, but John raised the general at his own game. 'My fellow citizens,' he said, 'what General Tucker says to you about bivouacking under yonder clump of trees is true. It is also true, my fellow citizens, that I was a vedette picket and stood guard over him while he slept. Now, then, fellow citizens, all you who were generals and had privates to stand over you while you slept vote for General Tucker, and all of you who were privates and stood guard over the generals while they slept vote for Private John Allen.' The people caught on, took John at his word and sent him to congress, where he stayed until the world was filled with his renown."

Aid For the Explorer.

"Peary," said a geographer of Chicago, "never started on one of his exploring expeditions without receiving by mail and express all sorts of packages from cranks—cowhide underwear, tea tablets, medicated boots and what not."

"Peary once told me that George Ade a few days before the start of one trip wired him to expect an important package by express.

"The package came. It was labeled: 'To be opened at the farthest point north.'

"Peary opened it at once, however. It was a small keg, inscribed: 'Axle grease for the pole.'

Shouldn't Overfeed Hubby.

Hint for young wives who desire to have their husbands retain their boyish, slender figures: In an address at Vienna on the subject of food Professor Karl Van Noorden, one of the greatest medical experts in Europe, uttered an emphatic protest against wives who overfeed their husbands. He declared that the reason so many begin to get fat immediately after they have married is that their wives give them their favorite dishes on every possible occasion.

The Trouble.

Grouch—The Rev. Mr. Smiley's scheme to pass around the cigars and let the men smoke during services has proved a failure. Bink—What was the trouble? Grouch—His wife bought the cigars.—Cleveland Plain Dealer.

Closed Four Months Undergoing Repairs to Interior and Exterior.

NEW PIPE ORGAN INSTALLED

The Presbyterian church, which has been closed four months for an addition and other improvements, will be reopened next Sunday and the members of that congregation will be glad to get into the church again. Quite a change has been made on the interior of the church during the four months and it is now a very pretty auditorium. The improvements consist of an addition for pipe organ and choir, new pulpit, hardwood raised floor, re-frescoing, re-painting woodwork and seats, new heating system, new chandelier and pipe organ. An agreeable surprise is certainly in store for members of the church and congregation who will see the interior of the church for the first time Sunday morning since the changes have been made.

Beside the work on the interior of the edifice, new cement sidewalks have been built around the church and the Presbyterians now have a church of which they have just reason to be proud.

Over One Hundred Attend Riggs Reunion

Held at Home of J. P. George in Brookville Thursday, August 20th.

In response to invitations issued some two weeks prior for the third annual reunion about ninety members of the Riggs family, with enough friends to make the number one hundred and five, gathered at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. P. George in East Brookville on August 20, 1908, and nature having done her part to make the occasion a very memorable one, a greater part of the day was spent on the large lawn surrounding the house, which had been especially prepared for the comfort of the guests.

The morning was spent socially, and shortly after the noon hour all were invited to surround the eighty foot table under the trees where every one seemed to enjoy the eating of the good things spread thereon. Mr. Knapp, with his camera, appeared on the scene during the early part of the afternoon and immediately thereafter a majority of those present witnessed what proved to be quite an interesting ball game, even though the score was found to be a tie when the game was called.

It was learned that Mrs. George, in selecting this as the date for the reunion, was quietly celebrating the sixtieth anniversary of her husband's birth, and on behalf of Mr. George's many friends Mr. T. C. Swartz presented him with a beautiful Bible as a souvenir of the occasion.

Later an organization was effected and the following named persons elected as officers for the ensuing year: President, J. W. Riggs, Reynoldsville; secretary, Miss Iva C. Ingraham, Brookville, and treasurer, Mrs. R. J. Montgomery, Kellottville, Pa.

As on every happy occasion evening came soon and all left for their various homes after a most hearty vote of thanks to Mr. and Mrs. George for their kind hospitality. SECRETARY.

Excellent Health Advice.

Mrs. M. M. Davison, of No. 379 Glifford Ave., San Jose, Cal., says: "The worth of Electric Bitters as a general family remedy for headache, biliousness and torpor of the liver and bowels is so pronounced that I am prompted to say something in its favor, for the benefit of those seeking relief from such afflictions. There is more health for the digestive organs in a bottle of Electric Bitters than in any other remedy I know of." Sold under guarantee at Stoke & Felcht Drug Co. drug store. 50c.

If you are thinking of going to a Normal school this coming year it will be to your advantage to patronize a well established and thoroughly reputable school. The Lock Haven State Normal school meets these requirements. The fall term begins Sept. 7th. A catalogue will be sent on application to the principal.